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In re Application of:

Youlin DENG et al.

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For: WATER SOLUBLE/
DISPERSIBLE AND EASY
REMOVABLE CATIONIC
ADHESIVES AND COATING
FOR PAPER RECYCLING

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Washington, DC 20231

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated June 28, 2002, the period for response having been extended by the petition and fee filed herewith, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. A recyclable adhesive or adhesive coating comprising a polymer which is soluble or dispersible in water, wherein the polymer has 5 to 40 mol % of cationic repeat units, and wherein the adhesive or coating is attracted to fibers during paper recycling.
2. The recyclable adhesive or adhesive coating of claim 1, wherein the adhesive is substantially tacky such that it forms a pressure-sensitive adhesive which is capable of bonding to a surface upon contact.

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